

Weekly Happenings

Verona Street Animal Society's The Fast & The Furriest Virtual 5 & 10 K Races & Dog Walk



Thursday August 13 through Sunday August 16

Join VSAS for the most paw-some, pet-tastic event of the year, [The Fast & The Furriest® 2020- Virtual!](#) Between Thursday, August 13th and Sunday, August 16th scurry through your local neighborhood and participate in a 5K, 10K or dog walk all while SUPPORTING PETS IN NEED!

The Fast & The Furriest® helps change the lives of many pets that [Rochester Animal Services](#) cares for each year and that wouldn't be possible without your help!

REGISTER TODAY

at <https://runsignup.com/Race/.../Rochester/TheFastandTheFurriest>.

DONATE TODAY at <https://runsignup.com/.../.../NY/Rochester/TheFastandTheFurriest>

For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/563275824255992/>



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NEWS RELEASE

Rochester Public Libraries Reopening with Limited Service

(Friday, Aug. 7, 2020) – Beginning Monday, August 10, the Rochester Public Library will reopen for limited service. The Central Library will be open from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, while all branch libraries will be open from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, closed on Friday. There will be no in-person library events or programs at this time.

Services will vary by branch as follows:

- Curbside Pickup Only: Charlotte, Sully, Wheatley, Lyell, Monroe, and Douglass
- Browsing, Research, and Selected Services: Arnett, Maplewood, Winton, Lincoln and the Central Library

The Rundel Building of the Central Library will remain closed, however, research and exhibit access will be available by appointment only.

Before entering any Rochester Public Library, patrons will be required to wear a mask, sanitize their hands, and submit to a temperature check and health screening questionnaire. Each location has been reconfigured to help visitors and staff maintain proper social distancing guidelines, which will be enforced. Additionally, some areas in each building may remain closed to the public.

Hours and services will be evaluated regularly and may change on short notice. Patrons are encouraged to check <https://roccitylibrary.org/> or contact their favorite branch for more information.

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Lollypop Farm's Potbellied Pig Rubs Day



Saturday August 15 11 to 11:45 AM

99 Victor Road Fairport, NY

Have you always wanted to spend some quality time with a potbellied pig at Lollypop Farm? Now's your chance! 😊

Register today to meet some fun potbellied pigs! Not only will you get up close and personal with rescued pigs, but we'll debunk some myths about "micro" and "teacup" pigs and share how we can work together to save these adorable farmyard friends. It's kind of a pig deal! Guests will be required to wear a mask, use hand sanitizer, and respect social distance guidelines.

Learn more and register online today: <https://bit.ly/3jlaJ0b>

George Eastman Museum's Focus 45:

A HISTORY OF PHOTOGRAPHY COMMEMORATING RATIFICATION OF THE 19TH AMENDMENT

Friday, August 14, 2020, 1 p.m., Online



Commemorating the centennial of the Nineteenth Amendment's ratification, which granted American women the right to vote, this presentation examines how photography has portrayed, and fundamentally shaped, perceptions of women and feminist movements since the mid-1800s. Curator Lisa Hostetler will expand on the current selection of photographs in the History of Photography Gallery, which she and Associate Curator Jamie M. Allen co-curated with master's students in the Photographic Preservation and Collections Management program Rebecca Gourevitch, Forrest Soper, Maya Swann Vitale, and Xiaochun Wang.

Free to all.

Registration required via Zoom, spaces limited: [Register now](#).

Rochester Refugee Resettlement Services Making Clear Face Masks To Aid Lip Reading



Rochester Refugee Resettlement Services provides industrial sewing skills training and walkable, flexible work in a supportive community environment. Rochester Refugee Sewing and Repair is a natural outgrowth of our mission to help our new neighbors thrive through social entrepreneurship. This adventure began as an effort to combine the skills of service providers and refugees for everyone's benefit. The result is a welcoming community and jobs that matter.

<https://www.rochesterrefugeeservices.org/refugee-sewing-and-repair/>

Clearsight Windowed Mask (Four Ties), Loop Version also available.

*Smile more.
Be understood.*

Our clear vinyl mask features the largest viewing window available. We use an anti-fog-coated clear vinyl that is phthalate and latex free. You can re-treat the vinyl at any time with most anti-fog sprays and rubs. Machine wash on cold and hang to dry.

Regular fits most; small is good for both kids and smaller faces.

To order: <https://rochesterrefugee.org/shop/clearsight-windowed-mask>

Buy a bottle of anti-fog spray [here](#).

For custom colors, printing, embroidery, and bulk pricing, email contact@rochesterrefugee.org.

Memorial Art Gallery's Centering Black Women: A Conversation About Art and Organizing with Ja'Tovia Gary



Thursday August 13 7 to 8 pm

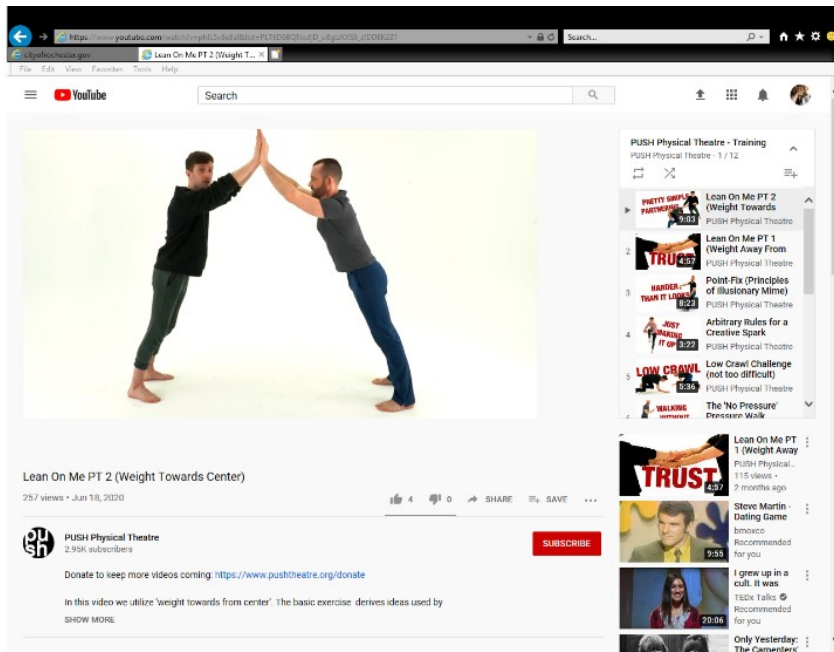
[Link to Register](#)

[*Giverny I \(NÉGRESSE IMPÉRIALE\)*](#) by artist Ja'Tovia Gary (American, b. 1984) remains on view at the Memorial Art Gallery until August 23. Using archival images to show how connections between colonialism, state violence, and media affect visual perception, Gary's work probes how we see, experience, and understand the visual world.

Gary's work investigates the ways in which visual and media cultures shape our perceptions around race, gender, and specifically Blackness. In the crossroads of the current global pandemic and the growing movement for Black lives triggered by the police killings of George Floyd, Breonna Taylor, and many others, Gary's centering of her experience as a Black woman in connection to art history is particularly relevant to examine. MAG Time-Based Media Curatorial Assistant Almudena Escobar López, independent curator and writer Dessane Lopez Cassell, and activist and cultural curator Rachel DeGuzman will discuss the importance of centering Black women's voices in the current political context both nationally and locally, in the contexts of both art and political organizing. Dessane Lopez Cassell photo by Henry Murphy.

Free | Register [HERE](#) to receive the access link.

PUSH Physical Theatre Offers Free Youtube Training Videos for the Community



Have you ever wondered how to do some of the dance moves offered by edgy PUSH Physical Theatre? Now is your chance to try some. PUSH has put some of its dance moves on videotape as instruction videos for you to try. Check out the videos on their [Youtube channel](#)

Also, check out Jeff Spevak WXXI's [article](#) on their unique approach to COVID 19 and upcoming entry in September's [Fringe Festival](#)
<https://www.pushtheatre.org/company>

Rochester Named Finalist for the All-America City Award



Bridge on the El Camino Trail

Rochester has been named a finalist for the National Civic League's All-America City Award, based on the strength of such projects as the High Blood Pressure Collaborative, Project HOPE and El Camino Neighborhood Revitalization and The Community Task Force of School Climate.

[Check Out What the National Civic League Has to Say About Rochester.](#)

Classics Theater of Rochester Presents Pygmalion Once and Again: An Online Fundraiser for MUCCC



CLASSICS
THEATER
OF ROCHESTER

BRINGING THE CLASSICS OF
DRAMATIC LITERATURE
TO THE ROCHESTER STAGE



August 4-18 at 8 pm

[To purchase a ticket \(\\$10\)](#)

Two versions of Shaw's play remotely recorded, pandemic style.

Pygmalion Once! Directed by James Landers

Pygmalion Twice! Directed by Roger Gans

The MuCCC Theater, 142 Atlantic Avenue in Rochester, NY is a Multi-use Community Cultural Center (hence the acronym MuCCC). Founded in 2009 by arts entrepreneur Doug Rice, its mission is to provide a theater to performers who do not have a permanent space, to attract new audiences to theater, and to provide theater at a low cost to the public. The MuCCC particularly seeks out "other voices" in performance. The MuCCC is also a producing entity of MuCCC Fest, a celebration of local performers; New Plays, New Voices; Dances at MuCCC; and This is Our Youth, a showcase of City students in performance. The theater is located at 142 Atlantic Avenue in Rochester, New York in a converted church property that is owned by the MuCCC. The theater has a volunteer administration and relies upon rental fees and donations for its budget.



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<https://1872cafe.com/>

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[For information on Big Brothers Big Sisters](#)